(c) the provision of funds made therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN AFFAIRS & EMPLOYMENT (SHRI P.K. THUNGON): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) During the year 1995-96, it is proposed to construct 62,986 houses, which is about three times higher than the target of 1994-95 of about 20,000 houses.

(c) A provision of Rs. 7873.25 lakhs has been made during the year 1995-96 to achieve the targets.

Development of new variety of Coconut in Andhra Pradesh

1295. SHRI YERRA NARAYANASWAMY: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether any new varieties of coconut have been developed which are suitable for the delta lands in Andhra Pradesh;

(b) if so, the details of such new varieties developed;

(c) whether any steps have been taken to propagate the new varieties; and

(d) the areas where this propagation was carried out?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI S. KRISHNA KUMAR): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. One hybrid and one variety as shown below were developed at Agricultural Research Station, Ambajipeta, East Godawari Distt. Andhra Pradesh.

Hybrid — East Coast tall X Gangabondam Average yield 128 nuts/tree/year.

Variety — Double century—Selection from Phillipines ordinary Average yield 125 nuts/tree/year.

(c) and (d) Yes, Sir. The Agricultural Research Station, Ambajipeta Agricultural Research Station, Vijayarai, West Godawari Distt. is propogating the seeds of the hybrid and the variety.

Fire accident in Jwala puri PVC Market

1296. SHRI PRAMOD MAHAJAN: SHRI VIREN J. SHAH:

Will the Minister of URBAN AFFAIRS & EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the destruction of 4000 shops in Jawala Puri PVC market, in the worst fire accident in Delhi on June 6, 1995;

(b) if so, what were the causes of fire, the extent of loss suffered by the shop owners and the residents of the area;

(c) the preventive steps taken to check fire in Jawala Puri PVC market and other areas in Delhi; and

(d) what are the reasons for setting up of PVC market in the residential areas in West Delhi and under whose orders the PVC market was established?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN AFFAIRS & EMPLOYMENT (SHRI P.K. THUNGON): (a) to (d) Information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the Sabha.

थियेटर कलाकारों की दशा पर प्रकाशित समाचार

1297. **श्री अनन्तराम जायसवाल:** क्या मानव संसाधन विकास मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) क्या सरकार का ध्यान 30 जून, 1995 के नई दिल्ली के "दैनिक जागरण" में "रंगकर्मियों की त्रासदी" शीर्षक के अंतर्गत प्रकाशित समाचार की ओर दिलाया गया है, और

(ख) यदि हां, तो सरकार की उस पर क्या प्रतिक्रिया है और सरकार थियेटर कलाकारों की त्रासदी को रोकने और प्रेरणा राशि के माध्यम से उन्हें आगे बढ़ाने के लिए क्या सार्थक कदम उठाना चाहिये?